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1. IN CONVERSATION WITH ROCAPOFF JUNE 26, GUATEMALAN
MINECON PALOMO SAID ECLA/MEXICO DIRECTOR ROSENTHAL WAS
CURRENTLY IN GUATEMALA AND WOULD SPEND 2-3 WEEKS IN
C.A. WORKP G OUT WAYS TO MOVE FORWARD ON ECONOMIC
COOPERATION COMMITTEE (ECC) SHORT-TERM ACTION PROGRAM.
PALOMO WAS CAUTIOUS ABOUT THE PROSPECTS OF ANY DYNAMIC
NEW THRUST EMERFING FROM THE TENTH SESSION OF THE ECC
AT TEGUCIGALPA, MAY 28-30, SAYING ONLY THAT HE THOUGHT
THE MEETING
HAD BEEN "POSITIVE".

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2. PALOMO ACCORDED SOMEWHAT GREATER IMPORTANCE TO THE IDB'S RECENT GRANT OF \$186 THOUSAND FOR TECHNICAL HELP TO THE FIVE MEMBERS OF THE HIGH LEVEL COMMITTEE (CAN). UNDER THIS GRANT, FOR WHICH SIECA IS FISCAL AGENT, EACH MEMBER OF THE CAN WILL BE PROVIDED WITH TWO OR THREE SHORT-TERM TECHNICAL ADVISORS TO ASSIST IN OVERCOMING OBSTACLES TO THE EARLY COMPETITION OF A CAN DRAFT FOR THE FRAMEWORK TREATY (TRATADO MARCO) FOR THE CENTRAL AMERICAN ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COMMUNITY (CAESCA). (NOTE: EACH COUNTRY HAS ITS OWN PECULIAR PROBLEMS IN CONFRONTING THE CURRENT SIECA-PRODUCED WORKING DRAFT FOR THE PROPOSED TREATY. WE UNDERSTAND THAT ALL FIVE ARE CONCERNED WITH JURIDICAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL PROBLEMS, BUT THAT SPECIAL PRIMARY CONCERNS OF EACH COUNTRY ARE: GUATEMALA - MAINTENANCE OF EXPANDING INDUSTRIAL EXPORTS; EL SALVADOR - FREE MOVEMENT OF CAPITAL, GOODS AND (EVENTUALLY) PEOPLE; HONDURAS - SPECIAL TREATMENT TO ACHIEVE EQUAL DEVELOPMENT; NICARAGUA - PROTECTION OF UNIQUE POLITICAL INSTITUTIONS AND PROTECTION OF INDUSTRY FROM GUATEMALAN AND SALVADORAN EXPORTS; COSTA RICA - PRESERVATION OF SUPERIOR POLITICAL-ECONOMIC-SOCIAL ACHIEVEMENTS).

V PALOMO RESERVED REAL HOPES (NOT NECESSARILY EXPECTATIONS) FOR FORMING MEETING OF CA PRESIDENTS IN COSTA RICA, PRINCIPAL TOPIC OF WHICH HE SAID WOULD BE THE COMMON MARKET.

4. ACTION SUGGESTED: EMBASSIES MAY WISH TO ASCERTAIN IDENTITIES AND SPECIALTIES OF CAN ADVISORS FINANCED BY IDB. THIS INFORMATION WOULD INDICATE MAJOR PROBLEM AREAS IN TREATY FOR EACH COUNTRY, AND PERHAPS NATURE OF SOLUTIONS THAT MAY EVENTUALLY EMERGE. TRAGEN MELOY

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